CLAIMS

1. A surgical extractor (1) for extracting foreign bodies through natural or surgical passages comprising:

- a flexible tube (2) which is able to penetrate inside said passages as far as such a body to be extracted;

- a longitudinally rigid maneuvering wire (3) which is able to slide in said flexible tube (2) and can be maneuvered slidably, from the outside, via its proximal end; and

- a plurality of wire loops (4, 5) arranged at the distal end of said maneuvering wire (3) and capable of adopting, under the action of the latter:

  - either a trapping position, for which said loops (4, 5) are deployed and form, outside the distal end of said flexible tube (2), an openwork cage (7) in the at least approximate shape of a globe, each loop forming a meridian plane thereof,

  - or an extracting position, for which said loops (4, 5) are flattened and retracted at least partially inside the distal part of said flexible tube (2),

  said wire loops (4, 5) intersecting at their distal ends and being joined to one another there,

  wherein, at the place of their distal intersection (8), said wire loops (4, 5) are joined slidably so that each loop can slide to a limited extent relative to at least one other loop while

maintaining at least approximately its squareness with respect to said other loop.

2. The surgical extractor as claimed in claim 1, wherein, at its distal end, one (4) of said wire loops comprises a passage (9) through which the other wire loop or loops (5) can pass with play.

3. The surgical extractor as claimed in claim 2, wherein said passage (9) is formed by a tongue (10) formed in the corresponding wire loop (4).